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Today's Topics:

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We trust that readers are intelligent enough to realize that all text  
herein consists of personal comments and does not represent the official  
policies or positions of any party. Your mileage may vary. So there.

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Date: 16 Feb 94 14:42:41 GMT  
From: pa.dec.com!nntpd.lkg.dec.com!ryn.mro.dec.com!est.enet.dec.com!  
randolph@decwrl.dec.com  
Subject: FCC: Whats taking so long????  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Yet another data point... took the General and Advanced tests in December, just  
got the license on Monday... just about 11 weeks. The amazing part is I can  
still copy at 13 wpm after this much time!

-Tom R.    N100Q (no longer /AA)    randolph@est.enet.dec.com

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Date: 16 Feb 94 13:50:16 GMT  
From: nprdc!ihnp4.ucsd.edu!sdd.hp.com!spool.mu.edu!howland.reston.ans.net!pipex!  
uknet!EU.net!news.eunet.fi!KremlSun!kiaelrelcom!newsserv@network.ucsd.edu  
Subject: Help me find quartz for TV station in Novosibirsk  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Hi, world!

Anybody know where can I find a few quartz resonators for governmental TV station in Novosibirsk, because component plants in Russia are stay or closed and component distributors demand minimal order in \$1000.

Please, help me find quartz

Freq	Q-ty
98,217 MHz	1
48,972 ...	1
49,986	1
50,388	1
50,791	1
52,000	1
52,201	1
52,590	1
53,368	1
44,333333	1
5,13550	8 <-- urgent & urgent
5,040	2 <--

98,217 KHz 2

Please, answer me directly by e-mail, because I don't follow this newsgroups.

Thanks,

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Date: 14 Feb 94 22:09:30 GMT  
From: concert!news.duke.edu!jdc2@rutgers.rutgers.edu

Subject: HT Recs out there?  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Jesse,

I have a Kenwood TH78A, and I love it. I've also been out of the market for a year, but it was the best dual band radio I could find. I am also a college student, and I love having an HT. Try operating one with a speaker mic while riding a bike (with the HT in your backpack). That gets interesting.

The 78A might be a tad pricy (mine was upwards of 500 I think), but I also got some toys to go with it. I must admit a brand allegiance to Kenwood, but that's just me. I know you could not go wrong with a 78, so look into it if you get the chance. On a side note, it looks so cool that you probably won't get any dorks saying "hey, is that a CB?"

I'll keep the post short - mail me if you want more info

N5SKQ (J. Carter)

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J. D. Carter - jdc2@acpub.duke.edu

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Date: Wed, 16 Feb 1994 23:42:58 GMT  
From: agate!howland.reston.ans.net!cs.utexas.edu!asuvax!pitstop.mcd.mot.com!  
mcdphx!schbbs!waters.corp.mot.com.corp.mot.com!user@network.ucsd.edu  
Subject: Keyboards at testing sessions  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

In article <patrick\_tatro.27.7C558180@stortek.com>,  
patrick\_tatro@stortek.com (Patrick Tatro) wrote:

> When practicing for my code test I use the Morse Academy software on my  
> computer. I'm finding my keyboard code speed is now 14wpm but my paper code  
> speed is still at about 10 to 11wpm.  
>  
> Would the VEC's kick me out if I brought a laptop to a code test session or  
> should I wait until my paper speed catches up to my keyboard speed?  
>  
> Opinions requested.

I am only one VE, so this is just my opinion here, the actual test conditions are up to the VEs administering the test. Every VE team I know of though tries very hard to make the testing as fair and flow as smoothly as possible.

The general rule is that you must show the VEs that there is nothing in the

computer memory which could help you during the test.

The easiest way would be to disable (remove?) the hard drive and run with only the operating system and typing software. (Obviously *\*not\** a morse reader of any type :-). You have to be able to demonstrate that the hard drive is empty or disabled though.

Actually copying every word is overkill, since all you need to do is to take notes much as you would in an actual QSO. You can pass the test with *\*either\** the required number of consecutive characters or answering enough questions correctly.

BTW if the VEs will allow it, sit for the next higher speed test as well, after listening to 20wpm for five minutes it is amazing how slow 13 wpm will sound!

If you get enough consecutive characters for the 13 wpm test then you can be given 13 wpm credit - giving you an extra try with no penalty if you don't make it.

73 and GOOD LUCK!

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Date: Wed, 16 Feb 94 20:40:55 -0500  
From: psinnntp!wlnntp.psi.com!usenet@uunet.uu.net  
Subject: Keyboards at testing sessions  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

>DATE: Wed, 16 Feb 1994 17:04:14 GMT  
>FROM: Patrick Tatro <patrick\_tatro@stortek.com>  
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Pat,

I run the VE sessions for our local club here in Stamford, CT and using a laptop is perfectly fine in a word processor or editor mode. You may just have to show it to them first. If they give you a hard time just fly out here and we'll let you use one!

- Tom -

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Thomas J. Alessi - WB1L           | INTERNET: TJA@Panix.Com
P.O. Box 16781, Stamford CT. 06905 | AmprNet: 44.88.6.35
203-969-1880(H)    203-977-5200(W) | ax.25: WB1L@KC2FD.#nli.ny.us
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Date: Thu, 17 Feb 1994 05:54:19 GMT  
From: pacbell.com!unet!loren!larson@ames.arpa  
Subject: Looking for Sigma Design Associates...  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

In article <CLBuHt.Mox@on.bell.ca> ydupont@Qc.Bell.CA writes:

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>In a past article in the October 92 issue of 73 Magazine there was a  
>reference to a company named "Sigma Design Associates" located at 22150  
>Berkeley Court, Los Altos CA. They had a kit which can be used with  
>software to emulate a TNC at a very low cost.  
>  
>Does anyone have phone or fax number of that company?  
>Or does anyone know if that company still exists or has moved???  
>I tried directory assistance without success...

Sigma Design Associates  
P.O. Box 49085  
Colorado Springs, Co 80949

(719) 260-5513

I haven't put the kit together yet, but it came fairly quickly.

This is a single speed modem for 1200 baud.

Alan

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Date: 16 Feb 94 17:13:04 GMT  
From: uunet.ca!uunet.ca!dmog10.bell.ca!bcoczek!vega!ydupont@uunet.uu.net

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To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

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Thanks,

Yvan - VE2YDU

Bell SYGMA, Telecom Solutions  
30 Renaud, Loretteville (Qc) CANADA G2A 2K7  
TEL: 418-843-7564 FAX: 418-842-9559  
Internet: ydupont@Qc.bell.CA HAM: VE2YDU

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Disclaimer: The opinions expressed here are mine and not my employer's.

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Date: 16 Feb 94 16:25:06 GMT  
From: nprdc!ihnp4.ucsd.edu!sdd.hp.com!vixen.cso.uiuc.edu!howland.reston.ans.net!  
cs.utexas.edu!oakhill!yosemite.sps.mot.com!ben@network.ucsd.edu  
Subject: Nude QSL cards  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

In article <CLAFwp.J8C@cup.hp.com>, Jim Hollenback <jholly@cup.hp.com> wrote:  
>lbrunson@rodgers.rain.COM wrote:

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>: There has been considerable discussion about the demography of the  
>: amateur radio community and how we can attract younger people to the  
>: hobby. Although nude QSL cards may attract teen-age boys to the hobby, I  
>: hope we don't have to resort to this method.

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>: My son got his novice license when he was 11 and my daughter when she was  
>: 8. Regardless of what you may think about my moral values and religious  
>: convictions, I feel it is my responsibility to teach them to my children  
>: and help guide them through the difficulties of puberty which are before  
>: them. I would feel extremely offended if someone sent a nude QSL card to  
>: either of my kids. I do not wish either of my kids to be receiving nude  
>: photos in sealed envelopes, either.

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>: My opinion is not up for debate here. Remember, the question is whether



>of our birthday suit.

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>I say, if you want to take it off... well... why not?

But please, stay indoors.

I've quit going to Waikiki Beach not for puritanical reasons but because seeing all those tourists with their stomachs hanging down to their knees is just plain nauseating. You folks from the Mainland (your side of the Pacific) don't seem to take very good care of yourselves!

As someone else pointed out, look at the photos in QST; do you really want to see those folks nude? Our view is not necessarily juvenile or puritanical - it is just that we don't take delight in looking at things that are not appealing. Do you frequent art galleries? Certainly you'll see paintings that don't appeal to you; yet no one would dare say that you're juvenile or puritanical.

Okay, I'll shut up since this has nothing to do with .misc.

Jeff NH6IL

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Date: 16 Feb 94 16:05:23 GMT

From: emba-news.uvm.edu!griffin!gdavis@uunet.uu.net

Subject: Nude QSL or HAMFEST?

To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

Ofcourse, I can't speak for everyone, but people who understand that being Nude does not in and of itself mean SEX are those that most likely understand the nudist philosophy.

If we (men or women) are over forty, we are very fortunate if Isaac Newton (gravity) hasn't taken over the tummy.

The reason kids are so crazy about nudism or at least photos is that in their entire life they have been taught a kind of false modesty. " My body is dirty" or "Somebody will criticize my body if I'm nude".

I guess in american society, which will not allow nudism on TV or even the press, why should I be surprised if most licensed hams equate nude bodies with sex and if you don't have the body of a greek God, for God's sake keep your clothes on.

In Europe, general nudism is better accepted and everyone is NOT expected to have the body of a greek God.



In many ways American's have a very juvenile and puritanical view of our birthday suit.

I say, if you want to take it off... well... why not?

73 Gary... Buffing in Vermont is soooo hard in winter!

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\*\*\*\*\* Gary E. Davis\*\*\*\*\* WQ1F \*\*\*\*\*

The most common of all follies is to believe passionately in the palpably not true. It is the chief occupation of mankind.-H.L.Mencken

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Date: Thu, 10 Feb 1994 03:56:47 GMT

From: ucsnews!newshub.sdsu.edu!usc!howland.reston.ans.net!cs.utexas.edu!asuvax!ennews!anasaz!john@network.ucsd.edu

Subject: Talk America problems

To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

wy1z@netcom.com (Scott Ehrlich) writes:

>I would like to get some feedback on your feelings about the Talk America  
>radio network.

>The three shows I've been listening to for a while now are:

>Computer Exchange Radio

>Modem Mania

>Ham Radio and More

>I've been listing to these three shows for a couple of months now, and it  
>seems the same technical glitches keep resurfacing. These problems are  
>not on the shows' end - they are on Talk America's end.

>You'd think they would have cleaned up their act by now.

>I still listen to the shows, but the bugs keep annoying me.

>I think Modem Mania has the most technical glitches of the three.

>Your input is welcome.

I can speak for Ham Radio and More. We are just getting started (first Talk America show was in November). It takes a while to get things going. We work as follows:

We do the show at a studio at KFNN in Phoenix.  
Talk America calls us on three phone lines. One of those take audio from us up to their network.  
Another gives us program audio back in real time (as opposed to the 8 second tape delay that you hear).  
The third is used for the two production engineers to talk back and forth.  
They take the calls and call our guest (if the guest is not in-studio) and mix all the stuff together.

There are a lot of places for failure, and we don't have enough practice to get it all right yet. Our last problem was caused by a cable mis-plugged in OUR studio.

If you think YOU are unhappy about production problems, imagine how Len and I feel! But I'm not casting any blame - it's tricky stuff and the economics don't allow the sort of fancy production capabilities that a Rush Limbaugh or a TV station can do.

John Moore

Co-Host - Ham Radio and More

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john@anasazi.com Amateur call:NJ7E Civil Air Patrol:Thunderbird 381  
- Democracy is two wolves and a sheep using majority vote to decide what -  
- to have for dinner. SUPPORT THE BILL OF RIGHTS - INCLUDING THE 2nd! -

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Date: Thu, 17 Feb 1994 00:28:47 GMT  
From: agate!howland.reston.ans.net!europa.eng.gtefsd.com!library.ucla.edu!  
csulb.edu!csus.edu!netcom.com!wylz@network.ucsd.edu  
Subject: Update for Periodic Reminder of World FTP site  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

This is a periodic reminder that the Boston Amateur Radio Club maintains an FTP area on World - ftp.std.com (192.74.137.7) in pub/hamradio.

This area is accessible via: anonymous ftp, gopher, and World Wide Web (and possibly other methods I'm not yet aware of). World is not \*fsp\*-able yet (I asked them).

Via Gopher, the easiest path to the area is by selecting the following from World's main menu:

18. Membership and Professional Associations

### 3. Boston Amateur Radio Club

And go from there...

Please feel free to browse through the area.

If anyone has any questions about it, please do not hesitate to e-mail me.

Also, up-to-date copies of the files on the ARRL's information server (info@arrl.org) are available in the directory pub/hamradio/ARRL/Server-files.

All text files are uncompressed, so they are both retrievable and viewable via Gopher and World Wide Web. (If you have any troubles with any text file, please e-mail me).

Source code for programs is always welcome. It can permit people to use those programs on other computers with other operating systems.

Scott

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| Scott Ehrlich           Internet: wylz@neu.edu       BITNET: wylz@NUHUB   |
| Amateur Radio: wylz      AX.25: wylz@k1ugm.ma.usa.na |
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| Maintainer of the Boston Amateur Radio Club hamradio FTP area on |
| the World - ftp.std.com pub/hamradio                          |
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Date: 16 Feb 1994 21:30:00 GMT

From: news.bu.edu!transfer.stratus.com!sw.stratus.com!fms@purdue.edu

Subject: Yaesu Jacket

To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

se51@trajan.nextlab.cs.qub.ac.uk (J Keith Stevenson) writes:

> Hi , Can anyone tell me where might get one of those cool looking jackets  
> that Yaesu are giving away free with FT100's? I saw this in QST last  
> month. I can't afford the radio but I could probably afford one of the  
> jackets if anyone is willing to part with one!  
>

You might try contacting Yaesu directly and asking. I was lucky enough to win a snazzy-looking Icom jacket last year, which, had it not had my callsign on it and been a size or two too small, might have become my husband's jacket. :-) I talked to someone at Icom who told me how to order a jacket directly. So now my husband and I match!

73 de Faith N1JIT

p.s. if anyone orders a jacket from Icom, they'd better be prepared to do some serious waiting -- it takes several months for it to come in. I think they have to grow the cotton first... :-)

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Faith M. Senie                      InterNet: fms@vos.stratus.com  
Stratus Computer, Inc.          InterNet: fms@hoop.sw.stratus.com  
55 Fairbanks Blvd.              Pkt Radio: n1jit@walphy.ma.usa.na  
Marlboro, MA 01752              Phone: (508)460-2632

Curiosity doesn't flourish among the burned-out...

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Date: 16 Feb 94 16:45:16 GMT  
From: nprdc!ihnp4.ucsd.edu!sdd.hp.com!vixen.cso.uiuc.edu!howland.reston.ans.net!  
agate!library.ucla.edu!news.ucdavis.edu!chip.ucdavis.edu!ez006683@network.ucsd.edu  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

References <CL2txF.8EJ@srgenprp.sr.hp.com>, <2jqilt\$rer@pegasus.cc.ucf.edu>,  
<1994Feb16.102121.27897@ke4zv.atl.ga.us>avi  
Subject : Re: Nude amateur radio clubs

Gary Coffman (gary@ke4zv.atl.ga.us) wrote:  
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: >mail many cards.

: It rather much depends on what the nude people look like. Some people  
: shouldn't appear in public nude. Ugh!

'Tis true I are one. :-)

Dan

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\* Daniel D. Todd              Packet: KC6UUD@KE6LW.#nocal.ca.usa              \*  
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\* The only thing I can officially say for the University is: \*  
\* What I say is in no way related to official University policy \*  
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Date: 16 Feb 94 16:00:09 GMT  
From: nprdc!ihnp4.ucsd.edu!sdd.hp.com!vixen.cso.uiuc.edu!howland.reston.ans.net!  
cs.utexas.edu!oakhill!yosemite.sps.mot.com!ben@network.ucsd.edu  
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OK, OK, we promise to depict only "beautiful" humans who happen to be nude...

:)

--ben

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Ben Thornton Amateur call: WD5HLS  
Internet: ben@yosemite.sps.mot.com Motorola Inc., Austin, TX  
Caution: Wearing clothes has been shown to cause permanent psychological  
dependence on textiles. WEAR THEM AT YOUR OWN RISK.

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Date: Mon, 14 Feb 1994 12:43:46 -0500  
From: sgiblab!swrinde!cs.utexas.edu!howland.reston.ans.net!news.ans.net!  
malgudi.oar.net!news.ysu.edu!psuvml!cunyvml!rohvm1!rohvm1.mah48d@ames.arpa  
To: info-hams@ucsd.edu

References <rohvm1.mah48d-030294075300@136.141.220.39>,  
<CKo0uy.HzJ@srgenprp.sr.hp.com>, <rohvm1.mah48d-090294083450@136.141.220.39>uvm  
Subject : Re: A code speed question

In article <2je1pb\$pbcslinky.cs.nyu.edu>, jackson@longlast.cs.nyu.edu  
(Steven Jackson) wrote:

> So how many of you think I am UTC by learning on a computer?

Steve, if you're learning for the exams, your only problem is going to be convincing the volunteer examiners to let you copy on a computer. You should check in advance, preferably bring your own laptop (or even a full-size computer if they'll have room for it) although a \_few\_ VE's have a computer for their record-keeping and may let you use it. Again it's very important to check in advance with the VE's. Some may not want to deal with it at all, others will be accommodating.

For real speed, you'll be 'way ahead. Someday I'm gonna sit down at the computer for several weeks and actually learn to type Morse from the air. Operative word there is \_someday\_ :-).

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73 de John Taylor W3ZID  
rohvm1.mah48d@rohmmaas.com

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